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Re: Patent Application of
Robert Henry *et al.* : Group Art Unit: 1638
Appln. No.: 09/839,813 : Examiner: Stuart Baum, Ph.D.
Filed: April 20, 2001 :
Title: NEW PLANTS FORMED BY : Attorney Docket No.
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants in the above-identified application hereby petition for a two (2) month extension of time, to and including April 21, 2003, for responding to the outstanding office action dated November 21, 2002.

Applicants' response to the office action (After Final Request for RCE) is being filed simultaneously herewith. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge and/or credit Deposit Account 50-0310 the Petition fee of \$200.00 for the two month extension of time plus any overpayments or deficiencies in the above-calculated fee(s) and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or §1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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